

8. An ion exchange material according to claim 2 wherein the ion exchange medium is in liquid form and is imbibed into a solid sorbent for embedding into the superabsorbent polyurethane foam.

9. An ion exchange material according to claim 3 wherein the ion exchange medium is in liquid form and is imbibed into a solid sorbent for embedding into the superabsorbent polyurethane foam.

10. An ion exchange material according to claim 2 wherein the ion exchange medium is in the form of an emulsion or suspension for imbibing into the superabsorbent polyurethane.

11. An ion exchange material according to claim 3 wherein the ion exchange medium is in the form of an emulsion or suspension for imbibing into the superabsorbent polyurethane.

12. An ion exchange material according to claim 4 wherein the ion exchange medium is in the form of an emulsion or suspension for imbibing into the superabsorbent polyurethane.--

#### REMARKS

Applicants have amended the dependency of the claims to preclude a rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, fifth paragraph, which provides in part that "[a] multiple dependent claim shall not serve as a basis for any other multiple dependent claim." No new matter has been added by the above amendments.